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## AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

Please replace the previous set of pending claims with the following complete set of pending claims.

- 1. (Currently Amended) A wearable article comprising an outer cover adapted to fit about a portion of a wearer and a fever indicator affixed to the outer cover, wherein the fever indicator provides a visible, audible, or tactile signal when a wearer's body temperature is above a predetermined threshold temperature, the fever indicator determining the wearer's body temperature from urine expelled from the wearer's body and providing the signal only when the urine is present
  - the fever indicator comprising a temperature sensitive component and an indicating component,
  - the temperature sensitive component covering the indicating component and thereby preventing wetting of the indicating component prior to melting at a predetermined threshold temperature and thereby allowing wetting of the indicating component by urine expelled from the wearer,
  - the indicating component changing in appearance when wetted and thereby providing a visible signal.
- 2. (Original) The wearable article of Claim 1 wherein the fever indicator provides a qualitative indication of a fever.
- 3. (Currently Amended The wearable article of Claim 2 1 wherein the fever indicator comprises a temperature indicating component visible signal is a color change.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The wearable article of Claim 2 wherein the fever indicator comprises at least one of a urine sensitive component and a temperature sensitive component.
- 5. (Original) The wearable article of Claim 1 wherein the fever indicator provides a quantitative indication of a fever.

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- 6. (Original) The wearable article of Claim 1 wherein the fever indicator is disposed on a carrier element.
- 7. (Original) The wearable article of Claim 4 wherein the urine sensitive component dissolves upon contact with urine.
- 8. (Cancelled)
- 9. (Original) The wearable article of Claim 1 wherein the fever indicator comprises a plasticizer.
- 10. (Currently Amended) A disposable absorbent article for receiving and containing bodily exudates, the disposable absorbent article comprising:

an outer cover adapted to fit about a portion of a wearer;

- a fluid permeable topsheet;
- an absorbent structure disposed adjacent at least a portion of the outer cover; and
- a fever indicator affixed to a component of the disposable absorbent article, wherein the fever indicator provides a visible, audible, or tactile signal when a wearer's body temperature is above a predetermined threshold temperature, the fever indicator determining the wearer's body temperature from urine expelled from the wearer's body and providing the signal only when the urine is present
- the fever indicator comprising a temperature sensitive component and an indicating component.
- the temperature sensitive component covering the indicating component and thereby preventing wetting of the indicating component prior to melting at a predetermined threshold temperature and thereby allowing wetting of the indicating component by urine expelled from the wearer.
- the indicating component changing in appearance when wetted and thereby providing a visible signal.

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- 11. (Currently Amended) The disposable absorbent article of Claim 10 wherein the fever indicator is disposed on at least a portion of affixed to the topsheet.
- 12. (Original) The disposable absorbent article of Claim 11 wherein the fever indicator is detachable from the topsheet.
- 13. (Original) The disposable absorbent article of Claim 10 wherein the fever indicator provides a qualitative or quantitative indication of a fever.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The disposable absorbent article of Claim 10 wherein the fever indicator comprises a temperature indicating component visible signal is a color change.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The disposable absorbent article of Claim 10 wherein the fever indicator comprises at least one of a urine sensitive component and a temperature sensitive component.
- 16. (Original) The disposable absorbent article of Claim 10 wherein the fever indicator is disposed on a carrier element.
- 17. (Cancelled)
- 18. (Original) The disposable absorbent article of Claim 10 wherein the fever indicator comprises a plasticizer.
- 19. (Currently Amended) An insert for use with a wearable article, the insert comprising a fever indicator comprising : a temperature indicating sensitive component and an indicating component.
  - the temperature sensitive component covering the indicating component and thereby preventing wetting of the indicating component prior to melting at a predetermined threshold temperature and thereby allowing wetting of the indicating component by urine expelled from a wearer,

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the indicating component changing in appearance when wetted and thereby providing a visible signal

; and

- a carrier, wherein the fever indicator is affixed to a component of the wearable article, wherein the fever indicator provides a visible, audible, or tactile signal when a wearer's body temperature is above a prodetermined threshold temperature, the fever indicator determining the wearer's body temperature from urine expelled from the wearer's body and providing the signal only when the urine is present.
- 20. (Currently Amended) The insert of Claim 19 wherein the fever indicator further comprises at least one of a urine sensitive component and a temperature sensitive component.